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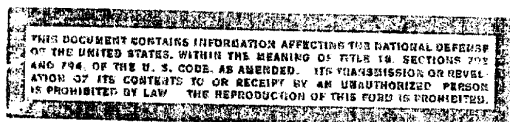
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1. No final decision has been reached as yet as to whether the "Neutron House" on the territory of the Academy Institute for Medicine and Biology in Berlin-Buch will ultimately constitute an independent Academy institute, or whether it will be subordinated as a department to the Academy Institute for Medicine and Biology. Provisional plans have been made to set up, at least for some time in 1954, a Radiation Department (Abteilung fuer Strahlungsforschung) in the Institute. Institute personnel will work in the Neutron House. For the time being, radiation research is being carried out in the Biophysical Department of the Institute, which is headed by the head of the Institute, Professor Walter Friedrich. The following scientists have been engaged in radiation research:
Dr. Wolfgang Koelle, Deputy Chief of the Biophysical Department.
Dr. Heinz Parchwitz. 1/
Dr. Liselott Herforth.
Physicist Krummbiegel (fnu).
So far, radiation research has been mainly concerned with measurements carried out with the aid of X-ray and radium sources. In addition, experiments have been carried out concerning the effects of X-ray and radium rays on animals and plants.
2. Professor Walter Friedrich advocates the transfer of the entire radiation research program now carried out in his Institute to the Neutron House, which, according to his plans, is to become an independent institute headed by him. If this plan goes through, the direction of the Institute for Medicine and Biology will very probably be given to Professor Karl Lohmann, now Friedrich's deputy.
3. Equipping of the Neutron House, which is still going on, is being supervised by Bienert (fnu) of TRARO (formerly Koch und Sterzel) Dresden. Scientific supervision of the equipping of the Neutron House has been entrusted to Dr. Arnold Flammersfeld 2/ of Mainz and Goettingen. Flammersfeld comes on periodic visits to Berlin-Buch. The East German government has offered him a very high salary, 3/ a villa, and other privileges if he agrees to move to East Germany and take over the direction of the Neutron House.
4. The Development Laboratory and the Construction Office of the Department for Crystal Structure Analysis in the Institute for Medicine and Biology were moved into the Neutron House on 9 November 1953.

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